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Serial No.: 09/189,559

Examiner: S. Channavajjala

Filed: November 11, 1998

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2001, Applicant hereby requests reconsideration, in view of the following remarks:

**Remarks**

In the Office Action dated August 24, 2001, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 5-8, 14-18, 22-25 and 31-32 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Stupek, Jr., et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,586,304, in view of the U.S. Patent to Burns, et al. 6,018,747. The Examiner rejected claims 2-4 and 19-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Stupek, Jr., et al. and Burns, et al. and further in view of the U.S. Patent to Shipley 5,634,114. The Examiner rejected claims 9-13 and 26-30 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being

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